

# Federation Bulletin

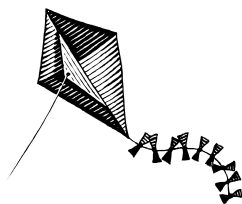
## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE** (Fremont)  
(919) 242-5581

### ***Let's Go Fly a Kite***

*Saturday, March 14, noon–3 p.m.*

If you enjoy flying a kite during spring-time and are looking for a wide-open space free of electrical and phone lines, then the Governor Charles B. Aycock Birthplace State Historic Site is the place to be on Saturday, March 14. On this day, the site will open its grounds to all kite flyers. Come out and see how high you can fly. New this year: participants will also be able to make a model biplane using cereal boxes and other household items. Free.



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**ASHE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY** (Jefferson)  
www.ashehistoricalsociety.org

### ***Membership Meetings***

*Mondays, March 9, April 13, and May 11, 5:30 p.m.*

Come to the Museum of Ashe County History for these monthly meetings of the Ashe County Historical Society. The public is welcome.

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**BEAUFORT HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION** (Beaufort)  
www.beauforthistoricsite.org  
(800) 575-7483

### ***Literary Lunch with Allan Gurganus***

*Friday, March 6, 12:30 p.m.–2 p.m.*

Join renowned author Allan Gurganus at Clawson's Restaurant for this program, which is part of

the association's commemoration of the Civil War sesquicentennial. Gurganus wrote the classic *Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All*, which gave us the unmistakable voice of 99-year-old Lucy Marsden. Gurganus will talk about his literary vision as well as his newest book, *Local Souls*. Tickets: \$25. Tickets are limited and will be available at the Beaufort Historic Site or by calling (252) 728-5225.

### ***Literary Evening with Allan Gurganus***

*Friday, March 6, 7 p.m.–9 p.m.*

Join Allan Gurganus for a special evening program at Joslyn Hall at the Carteret Community College. Gurganus will read from his novel *Oldest Living Confederate Widow Tells All*, which spent eight months on the *New York Times* bestseller list. Tickets cost \$20 and are available at the historic site or by calling (252) 728-5225.

### ***Annual Easter Egg Hunt***

*Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m.*

Children ages seven and younger are welcome to join the fun. Enjoy prizes, refreshments and lots of eggs. It's all free—just bring a basket!



### ***Publick Day***

*Saturday, April 11, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Enjoy this old-fashioned flea market on the Beaufort Historic Site, with vendors selling antiques and collectibles, art, crafts, handmade jewelry, books, food, and much more. No admission charge.

### ***Carteret County Arts & Crafts Coalition Spring Show***

*Saturday–Sunday, May 23–24*

This juried sale of arts and crafts of coastal artisans offers the

perfect occasion to browse and buy the work of coastal artists and craftsmen.

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**BORDER BELT FARMERS MUSEUM** (Fairmont)  
(910) 740-0277

### ***Fairmont Heritage Days***

*Friday–Sunday, April 24–26*

Enjoy music, food, arts and crafts, and more during this event, which celebrates North Carolina's rural heritage. The event starts in the downtown Heritage Center on Friday at 7 p.m. with a country supper and a bluegrass band. (Tickets for the Friday night event will go on sale later this spring.) On Saturday, visitors to the museum grounds can see antique farm equipment and older cars, watch cloggers perform, buy arts and crafts, and taste North Carolina barbecue and other country foods. On Sunday, between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., visitors are invited to gather at the town parking lot and recreate the tradition of "cruising" on Main Street.

### ***Border Belt Bargain Hunters Open Air Market***

*Starting Saturday, May 9*

Vendors are invited to call the museum to register to sell items during this weekly open air market, which will be held on the lawn outside the museum. There is no fee to be a vendor.

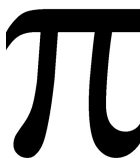
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**CAPE FEAR MUSEUM OF HISTORY AND SCIENCE** (Wilmington)  
www.capefearmuseum.com  
(910) 798-4362

***Family Science Saturday: Family Pi***

*Saturday, March 14, 10 a.m.–1 p.m.*

Celebrate Pi Day and Albert Einstein's birthday as you measure, estimate, identify, reason, plot, and predict your way through interactive mathematics activities. Play with math to discover how it figures into your everyday life. Design your own math button to take home! The program will focus on pre-K students at 10 a.m., while ages five to 14 are welcome at 11 a.m. and noon. Parental participation is required. Free for members or with museum admission



***Salute to our Stars and Stripes***

*Saturday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.–11 p.m.*

Join us at Union Station for an evening of food, drink, and live entertainment! This adult-only (21 and older) event combines good company and great fun with a worthy cause. Black tie or period attire optional. Tickets: \$75. All event proceeds will benefit Cape Fear Museum's new Outdoor Learning Environment.

***NanoDays***

*March 28–April 5*

Dive into a miniscule world where materials have special properties and new technologies have spectacular promise. Enjoy fun hands-on activities demonstrating the special and unexpected properties found at the nanoscale and examine tools used by nanoscientists. This nationwide festival of educational programs is organized by the Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network (NISE Net). Parental participation required. Free for members or with museum admission.

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**CARTERET COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Morehead City)**

<http://thehistoryplace.org>  
(252) 247-7533

***Lunch with a Dash of History***

*Fridays, March 13 and 27 and April 10, 11:30 a.m.*

Join historian Rodney Kemp for lunch at 11:30 a.m. and a talk at noon. On March 13, Kemp will talk about historical mysteries. The program on March 27 will focus on the language of Carteret County, as spoken by natives. In April, Kemp will talk about the geography of Carteret County. A donation of \$15 (\$12 for members) includes lunch and lecture; a donation of \$8 for non-members and \$5 for members covers the lecture only. To guarantee a seat and lunch, make your reservation and pay for your tickets before the Wednesday prior to each lecture. Call (252) 247-7533 ext. 1 or stop by the museum store for tickets. Membership applications are available in the store.

***Southern Cuisine, High and Low: A Short History of the Cuisine of the South***

*Friday, March 20*

Southern cuisine is a blending of the culinary traditions and ingredients of three primary groups: Native Americans, and immigrants from the British Isles and West and Central Africa. This "blend" has resulted in a "core" cuisine in the South that one can find from Virginia to Texas. This core is not the whole story: subcultures of the South have supported cuisines—Creole, Cajun, and "Tex-Mex" for example—that differ, sometimes dramatically, from the core cuisine. Join Dr. John Beck, co-author of *Southern Culture: An Introduction*, as he explores the history of Southern food.

***Craft Fair***

*Saturday, May 2, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Enjoy buying from craft vendors throughout the day.

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**CATAWBA COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION (Newton)**

[www.catawbahistory.org](http://www.catawbahistory.org)  
(828) 465-0383

***Coffee Talk***

*Saturdays, March 7 and April 11, 2 p.m.–3 p.m.*

Enjoy these free lectures at the History Museum of Catawba County. In March, Dr. Allen Huffman will talk about the legacy of potter Burlon Craig. Dr. Huffman is the founding chairman of the Catawba Valley Pottery & Antiques Festival. In April, Tom Magnuson will talk about transportation in the Carolinas and Virginia from 1585 to 1785.

***Catawba Valley Pottery & Antiques Festival***

*Friday, March 27, 7 p.m.–10 p.m., and Saturday, March 28, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.*

Come to the Hickory Metro Convention Center for his annual event featuring more than 115 potters and vendors. Friday features an evening preview party that includes dinner, music, and a chance to buy items before the Saturday event; tickets cost \$45 and must be purchased by March 20. On Saturday, Pamela Lorette Owens will speak on North Carolina's traditional women potters. The lecture will be held at 11 a.m., and is included in the Saturday ticket price. A corresponding exhibition of pottery, *Hands in Clay: Early Women Potters in North Carolina*, will be on display during the festival on Saturday. Tickets for the Saturday festival must



be purchased at the door and cost \$6 for adults, \$2 for children ages 3 to 12. Proceeds benefit the Catawba County Historical Society and the North Carolina Pottery Center.

### ***Behind the Scenes at Hart Square***

*Saturday, April 18*

Enjoy an intimate look at Hart Square, the largest collection of original historic log buildings in the United States. Six buildings will be open in the morning and a different six will be open in the afternoon, with a break in between for lunch and a special lecture by Dr. Robert Hart, who for over thirty years has collected and restored these buildings that represent life in the North Carolina backcountry during the 19th century. Visitors will be able to wander around and take as many pictures as they like. A boxed lunch and drink is included with the price of your ticket. Tickets cost \$50 and can be purchased online, by calling the historical society, or by visiting the history museum. For tickets or more information, call (828) 465-0383.

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**EDENTON WOMAN'S CLUB**  
 (252) 482-7800

### ***Pilgrimage of Historic Homes***

*Friday-Saturday, April 17-18*

Enjoy two days of hospitality, history, heritage, gardens, architecture, antiques, Southern food, and more during this annual event. Guests will tour many of Edenton's finest private homes, all at least 100 years old, hosted by docents in period costume. New to the tour this year, "History Alive" will present costumed actors sharing colonial, Revolu-

tionary, and Civil War stories throughout the tour. Highlights of the tour will include an exhibit of wedding dresses through the decades at Pembroke Hall, an 1850 antebellum mansion, and the first public viewing of North Carolina's oldest house, circa 1718. Horse-drawn carriage rides, concerts, lectures, exhibits, food, music, and more will be part of the festivities. The Pilgrimage coincides with the Town's annual free, family-friendly street dance "Boogie on Broad" featuring The Embers. Advance tickets cost \$25 for adults, \$10 for students, \$20 per person for groups of 20 or more; on the day of the tour, tickets cost \$30. For event and ticket information, call (252) 482-7800 or visit [edentonpilgrimage.org](http://edentonpilgrimage.org) or [VisitEdenton.com](http://VisitEdenton.com).

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**EDGECOMBE COMMUNITY COLLEGE** (Tarboro)  
[www.edgecombe.edu](http://www.edgecombe.edu)

### ***Historic Preservation Trades Fair***

*Saturday, April 25, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.*



Watch craftsmen demonstrate roofing, painting, and window repair, and see displays about historic preservation. Several contrac-

tors and construction companies will be on site to answer questions about restoration. A special program will showcase area restorations. Home owners, woodworkers, construction firms—anyone with an interest in preserving buildings is encouraged to participate. Fee for the day is \$25, which includes programs and lunch. For more information, please contact Monika Fleming at (252) 823-5166, ext. 241, or email her at [flemingm@edgecombe.edu](mailto:flemingm@edgecombe.edu).

**FEDERAL POINT HISTORIC PRESERVATION SOCIETY**  
 (Carolina Beach)  
<http://federal-point-history.org>  
 (910) 458-0502

### ***Membership Meetings***

*Mondays, March 16, April 20, May 18, 7:30 p.m.-9 p.m.*

The public is always welcome to these free meetings. In March, Marybeth Ray, captain of the MV Southport ferry, will talk about her lifetime love of all things maritime as well as her career from deckhand to captain with the North Carolina DOT. The April program features two novelists who have new books set in the Lower Cape Fear. Daniel Norris's book *Cape Fear Blackwater Deep* and Billy Beasley's book *The River Hideaway* will both be available for sale and signing that evening. In May, Captain Skippy Winner will discuss the current efforts to preserve the Carolina Beach Inlet with a little help and history from Elaine Henson.

### ***Walking Tour of the Sugar Loaf Line of Defense***

*Saturday March 21, 2 p.m.-4 p.m.*

Call to reserve your place in this popular program, which is limited to 25 participants. Dr. Chris Fonvielle will lead this tour of the Civil War earthworks that were part of the Confederate defensive line. A \$5 donation is requested. Participants will meet at the Federal Point History Center.

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**FRIENDS OF THE DURHAM LIBRARY**

<http://durhamcountylibrary.org/friends>

### ***Spring Book Sale***

*Friday-Sunday, April 24-26*

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You can find great bargains on gently used books at the Friends of the Durham Library book sales. Held in spring and fall, book sales at the Main Library offer thousands of used books categorized for easy shopping, as well as audiobooks, CDs, and DVDs.

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**FRIENDS OF THE PAGE-WALKER HOTEL** (Cary)  
[www.friendsofthewalker.org](http://www.friendsofthewalker.org)  
 (919) 460-4963

***Preserving America's Memories: Film, TV and Sound at the Library of Congress***

*Monday, March 23, 7:30 p.m.*  
 The Library of Congress' Packard Campus Audio Visual Conservation Center is a state-of-the-art facility that preserves and provides access to the world's largest and most comprehensive collection of films, television programs, radio broadcasts, and sound recordings. Come to The Cary movie theater and join Paul Klammer, video lab supervisor at the center, as he shares behind-the-scenes stories of how the center preserves and restores these unique American cultural treasures. Free.



***Civil War in and around Cary***  
*Tuesday, April 28, 7:30 p.m.*  
 Hear from Ernest Dollar, director of the City of Raleigh Museum, as he describes the role that Cary played at the end of the Civil War.

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**GASTON COUNTY MUSEUM**  
 (Dallas)  
[www.gastoncountymuseum.org](http://www.gastoncountymuseum.org)  
 (704) 922-7681

***Concert at the Courthouse***  
*Fridays, March 6 and 27, 7 p.m.–9 p.m.*

The Gaston County Museum is hosting a concert series located in the newly renovated Historic Courthouse in Dallas, N.C. The series will focus on Americana-style music being performed by some of the best artists in the region. On March 6, Gigi Dover will perform music that is heavily influenced by a mix of genres, including blues, funk, folk, and jazz. On March 27, David Childers, a prolific North Carolina songwriter and musician, will perform by himself and share some of his life adventures that have shaped his music and lyrics. Seating for these free concerts is first-come, first-served; doors open at 6:30 p.m.

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**GREENSBORO HISTORICAL MUSEUM**  
<http://greensborohistory.org>  
 (336) 373-3681

***Museum Guild Meetings***  
*Monday, March 16, April 20, and May 18, 10 a.m.–11:30 a.m.*

There is always something new to learn and interesting people to meet at Museum Guild meetings, and guests are welcome. At our March gathering, master timber framer Ed Morrah will share his knowledge of antique construction. In April, National Park Service historian Robert Dunkerly will describe what was happening in Greensboro in the spring of 1865. On May 18, retired museum director Bill Moore will share intriguing stories from his 40-year career. Please note that reservations are required for the May meeting. Please call (336) 272-2438 for more information.

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**HIGH POINT MUSEUM**  
[www.highpointmuseum.org](http://www.highpointmuseum.org)  
 (336) 885-1859

***Warts and All: Confronting the Skeletons in Your Family History Closet***

*Monday, March 16, 6:30 p.m.*  
 Nelson Weller, a genealogy instructor at Forsyth Tech and Davidson County Community College, and a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, will speak to us about the unavoidable scandals and peccadilloes that confront us when we dig deeply into our ancestral closets. How do we best come to terms with what we've discovered, and how do we treat this material sensitively when sharing it with others? No pre-registration is necessary for this program, which will be held in the High Point Public Library.

***Evaluation Extravaganza***  
*Saturday, April 11, 9 a.m.*

Professional evaluators will be available at the museum to help area residents find out if their yard-sale find or grandma's quilt can send Junior to college or should just be enjoyed because they like it. Our collections staff will be on hand to tell folks how to better take care of their treasures.

***An Introduction to Freedmen's Bureau Records***

*Monday, April 13, 6:30 p.m.*  
 In the aftermath of the Civil War, the South was completely devastated. The Freedmen's Bureau was organized as a temporary measure to give aid and assistance to displaced people, the impoverished, and most of all, the freed slaves. Records cover such diverse subjects as food allowances, labor contracts, interracial outrages, marriages of former slaves, the reunion of families, and education.

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Diane Richard, editor of *Wake Treasures* and professional genealogist and lecturer, will share her expertise with us. No pre-registration is necessary for this program, which will be held in the High Point Public Library.

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**JOEL LANE MUSEUM HOUSE**  
(Raleigh)  
[www.joellane.org](http://www.joellane.org), (919) 833-3431

***Evolution of Firearms from the Late 1700s to Civil War***

*Thursday, March 5, 7 p.m.*

The pace of firearms development accelerated rapidly in the first half of the 19th century. Firearms historian Michael Helms will display a selection of period firearms and discuss their unique stories and their social and technological importance. Admission: \$16 for the general public and \$11 for members of the Joel Lane Historical Society. Refreshments will be served. Seating is limited, and advanced payment is required. Visit the museum website and click on the link to Eventbrite to buy tickets.

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**JOHNSTON COUNTY HERITAGE CENTER** (Smithfield)  
[www.johnstonnc.com](http://www.johnstonnc.com)  
(919) 934-2836

***Candlelight Tour of Smithfield's Civil War Sites***

*Saturday, March 21, 6:30 p.m.–9 p.m.*

Enjoy this Civil War sesquicentennial event, featuring an open house at the Heritage Center, living history stations at Civil War era sites, carriage rides, Confederate encampment, a chance to “meet the Generals” at

Hastings House, and a cappella hymn singing at Primitive Baptist Church. Tickets cost \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, and can be purchased at the heritage center.

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**MEBANE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**  
[www.mebanehistoricalsociety.org](http://www.mebanehistoricalsociety.org),  
(919) 563-5054  
(Please visit the website for a complete list of programs.)

***The Mebane Clinic***

*Monday, March 16, 7 p.m.*

The building is a sandwich shop now, but in the early 1950s it was the Mebane Clinic. Dr. George McLamb, Dr. George Bullard, and Dr. Clara Jones, Mebane's first female physician, served the community's medical needs for many years. Martha McLamb will present the history of the clinic, its patients, and its doctors. Free.

***The End of the War in Alamance County***

*Monday, April 20, 7 p.m.*

Presented by Ernest Dollar, director of the City of Raleigh Museum, this program will discuss in detail what Alamance County experienced in the spring of 1865. Though the war was to end one county away in Durham, Alamance County had its share of war-worn experiences at this fateful time. Free.

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**MOORE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION** (Southern Pines)  
[www.moorehistory.com](http://www.moorehistory.com)  
(910) 692-2051

***Clenny Creek Day***

*Saturday, April 18, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.*

*(Rain date April 19)*

Bring all the family to the annual Clenny Creek Day and enjoy food,

music, and fun, while supporting the Moore County Historical Association's maintenance of two historic dwellings: the 1820s-era Bryant House and the 1760s-era McLendon Cabin at 3361 Mt. Carmel Road in Carthage. Enjoy live music all day; visit vendors selling crafts, baked goods, jewelry, and other items; see a Civil War camp; and watch demonstrations of old-time activities such as quilting and weaving. Hot lunches will be on sale; this year, enjoy delicious hot dogs, pinto beans, corn bread, and beverages. Free admission.

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**MOUNT AIRY MUSEUM OF REGIONAL HISTORY**

[www.northcarolinamuseum.org](http://www.northcarolinamuseum.org)  
(336) 786-4478

***Easter Egg Workshop***

*Saturday, March 7 or March 21, 1 p.m.–4 p.m.*

Learn the ancient method of decorating Easter eggs using simple, primitive tools to “write” intricate designs with beeswax. The Batik method of decorating the egg is traditionally used to make the much admired Ukrainian Easter eggs. This workshop is for ages 12 through adult; registration includes supplies and costs \$10 for museum members and \$15 for non-members. In addition, \$20 pre-paid take home kits are available for participants and must be ordered at time of registration. Please note that the workshop fills up quickly; call to reserve your spot in one of the workshops.



***Storybook Museum***

*Fridays, March 6, April 3, and May 1, 10:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m.*  
Join your museum for fun and

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fantasy as we explore history and nature through books, activities, and more! This free program is intended for preschool-age children.

### ***Easter Bonnet Workshop for Children***

*Saturday, March 28, 10 a.m.–11:30 a.m.*

This workshop is for children ages 4 to 11; those under the age of 6 should be accompanied by an adult. Admission is free for museum members and \$5 for others. Pre-registration is encouraged as space is limited. Call (336) 786-4478 by March 24 to reserve your spot.

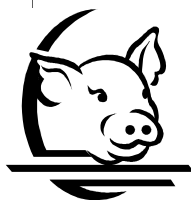
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### **MURFREESBORO HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

www.murfreesboronc.org  
(252) 398-5922

### ***Rowan-Chowan Pork Fest***

*Saturday, May 16*



Come to the Brady C. Jefcoat Museum for this annual festival. Take a tour of the museum; enjoy an antique car show;

buy crafts; enjoy delicious barbecue, and more. Please the association call for more information.

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### **MUSEUM OF THE CAPE FEAR (Fayetteville)**

<http://museumofthecapefear.ncdcr.gov>  
(910) 486-1330

### ***Sesquicentennial Living History Event***

*Saturday–Sunday, March 14–15*

Learn more about the Union occupation of Fayetteville as interpreted

by reenactors with Co. H, 17th New York Veterans and Volunteers/ Palmetto Sharpshooters reenactment group. Free!

### ***In the Path of Sherman's March***

*Monday, March 16, 7 p.m.*

Join Wade Sokolosky, author of *"No Such Army Since the Days of Julius Caesar": Sherman's Carolina's Campaign: from Fayetteville to Averasboro*, for this program that will commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Union Army's march into Fayetteville and the destruction of the Fayetteville Arsenal. The program will be held in the Cape Fear Regional Theater.

### ***Whose Father Was He: The Orphans of Gettysburg***

*Sunday, May 17, 2 p.m.*

Civil War enthusiast Dr. Matt Farina will talk about the story of Gettysburg's famous unknown soldier, based on author Mark Dunkelman's research of the 154th New York Volunteer Regiment and the Brickyard Fight on July 1, 1863. After the Battle of Gettysburg, July 1–3, 1863, an unidentified, dead Union soldier was found with an ambrotype photograph in his hands, with the images of three young children. This image was the last image he saw before he died of his wounds. There were no regimental or corps markings on his uniform. He had no wallet or other identifying papers in his possession. After Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia had retreated on the evening of July 4th, the Union Army of the Potomac had followed on July 5th. The unidentified soldier's comrades had left, and there was no one to identify the man or bury his body. Members of burial details were reluctant to bury the ambrotype with his body,

hoping that somehow someone would claim the image. Free. This program is part of 31 Day Salute, a month-long celebration of performances, ceremonies, exhibits, and activities around Cumberland County in honor of soldiers, veterans, and their families. The museum is a partner in this annual event.

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### **NEW BERN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

www.newbernhistorical.org  
(252) 638-8558

### ***A.B.C. (Attic-Basement-Closet) Yard Sale: Treasures and Bargains, Antiques and Collectibles***

*Saturday, March 7, 7:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.*

Come to the Knights of Columbus Building, at 1125 Pinetree Drive in New Bern, for this annual sale, which features everything from dishes to dolls to door knobs. Items available include antiques, collectibles, pictures, furniture, kitchenware, hardware, toys, jewelry, books, linens, silver, seasonal decorations, sporting equipment, electronics, brass, dishes, and much more. Free admission. Furniture shoppers are reminded to come prepared to transport their purchases as everything has to be removed by 1 p.m.

### ***Lunch & Learn: The Battle of New Bern and Enhancements at New Bern Battlefield Park***

*Thursday, March 12, 11:30 a.m.*

On March 14, 1862, in a battle measured in hours, much of New Bern's future was determined. Now the New Bern Historical Society, steward of the New Bern Battlefield Park that includes much of the original battlefield, is working to enhance the park so

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visitors can easily learn what happened on those grounds. This program, which will be held at the Chelsea Restaurant, will focus on the battle, the Battlefield Park, and the proposed enhancements. Tickets are \$16 for historical society members, \$18 for non-members; lunch is included. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling the society or by visiting <http://newbernhistorical.org/tickets>.

## **Women at West Point**

*Wednesday, May 13, 11:30 a.m.*

On July 6, 1976, the first women cadets were sworn into the United States Military Academy at West Point. Lieutenant Colonel (retired) Sarah P. Smith, MS, RD, LDN was on the staff and was involved in the studies and changes made to accommodate women in the Corps of Cadets. She will share her observations and musings of this fascinating event in history, from the time of the announcement that women would be admitted to West Point to the day that the Class of 1980 was sworn in. Tickets are \$16 for historical society members, \$18 for non-members; lunch is included. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling the society or by visiting <http://newbernhistorical.org/tickets>.

## **Historic Homes and Gardens Tour**

*Friday–Saturday, April 10–11, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.*

This year's tour will provide a behind-the-scenes look at beautiful homes and gardens that are important to our town's past and present. Patrons will tour the living quarters of these homes, learning about the original architecture, renovations, and furnishings. This year the tour will have a special focus on the fountains of New

Bern, with tour visitors able to see several of these hidden gems. Among the gardens open to the public is the Tryon Palace garden, which should be in full bloom. Tryon Palace's Annual Heritage Plant Sale will also be held on the Palace grounds during the tour. Tour ticket holders will have the opportunity to purchase discounted admission passes to Tryon Palace/N.C. History Center. Tickets are \$18 in advance, \$22 day of the tour and \$15 for NBHS members and for active duty military and dependents with ID. Tickets are good for both tour days. Please call (252) 638-8558 to purchase tickets by phone, or visit the website.

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## **NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF HISTORY (Raleigh)**

[www.ncmuseumofhistory.org](http://www.ncmuseumofhistory.org)

(919) 807-7900

*(Programs are free unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of events, please call or visit the website.)*

## **History à la Carte: There's Always Work at the Post Office**

*Wednesday, March 11, noon–1 p.m.*

Phil Rubio of N.C. Agricultural & Technical State University provides insight into his 2010 book, a look at the activist history of African American postal workers and how they helped transform black community development, the labor movement, and civil rights in general. Bring your lunch to this program; beverages are provided.

## **Starring North Carolina! Film Series: Dirty Dancing**

*Friday, March 13, 6 p.m.*

Scriptwriter Eleanor Bergstein discovered Lake Lure, in Rutherford County, after straying off the Blue Ridge Parkway. Because the area reminded her of New York's

Catskills, where the film's story took place, many scenes for the movie *Dirty Dancing* were shot there. Watch the film and hear remarks from Marsha Gordon, associate professor of film studies at NCSU. The movie is rated PG-13; admission costs \$5 per person, \$4 for museum members.

## **A Monumental Mystery: The Battle of Bentonville and Its Lost Confederate Soldiers**

*Saturday, March 14, 2 p.m.*

Derrick S. Brown, assistant site manager of Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site, will focus on the largest Civil War battle fought in North Carolina, as well as some of the recent archaeological work done to find the location of a lost Confederate cemetery on the battlefield.

## **Vietnam Veterans Day Weekend**

*Friday–Saturday, March 27–28, 9 a.m.–5 p.m., and Sunday, March 29, noon–5 p.m.*

Meet Vietnam veterans, and see equipment—including vehicles and helicopters—and personal memorabilia, such as uniforms, weapons and gear. A Field Cross memorial, a display of the state's POW and MIA heroes, and a 1/8-scale replica of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial wall are also highlights of the weekend. The event is presented through a partnership with North Carolina Vietnam Veterans Inc.

## **Etchings in Stone: Memories of North Carolina's Vietnam Veterans**

*Friday, March 27, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday, March 29, 2 p.m.*

The short segments of this thought-provoking play by North Carolina Vietnam veteran Ron Harris place audience members "inside" the Vietnam Veterans

Memorial wall so individuals are privy to the comments and unspoken thoughts of passing visitors. Music, video clips, and photographs from the Vietnam era are featured between segments. The program is presented through a partnership with North Carolina Vietnam Veterans Inc.

### ***Longleaf Film Festival***

*Saturday, May 2*

In conjunction with the exhibit *Starring North Carolina!*, the Museum of History is hosting its inaugural Longleaf Film Festival. Three screens at the daylong festival will show new submissions from around the world in five categories, including student-made shorts. Festival winners will be announced at day's end. Free admission. For information, visit [LongleafFilmFestival.com](http://LongleafFilmFestival.com).

### ***An Evening with David McCullough***

*Thursday, May 21, 7 p.m.*

Author David McCullough is widely acclaimed as a "master of the art of narrative history" and has received both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award (two times each), as well as the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Join us in welcoming this distinguished writer as he shares the lessons on leadership he learned while researching his latest work, *The Wright Brothers*. This ticketed event, which will be held at the Duke Energy Center for the Performing Arts, is presented with support from the *News & Observer* and First Tennessee Bank. Additional funding support is from Goodnight Educational Foundation, The Sherrill Family Fund, Smith Family Foundation, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth B. Howard, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul F. Hoch Jr. Call (919) 807-7873 for more information.

### **N.C. PRESBYTERIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

[www.ncphsociety.org](http://www.ncphsociety.org)

### ***Spring Tour of Historic Churches and Sites***

*Friday–Saturday, April 11–12*

Enjoy a great couple of days in Edenton, along the beautiful Albemarle Sound. Visit one of the state's oldest churches (1736) and learn about the early history of religion in N.C. Visit the oldest courthouse in N.C. (1767) and the homes of leaders during the colonial period, the Revolution, and the early Federal period. Find out about the women at the Edenton Tea Party! Details and registration will be posted on the website this spring.

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### **OLD SALEM (Winston-Salem)**

[www.oldsalem.org](http://www.oldsalem.org), (888) 653-7253  
*(For a complete listing of events, please visit the website.)*

### ***Garden Workshop:***

#### ***The Wonderful World of Tea***

*Saturday, March 7, 10 a.m.–11 a.m.*

Tea for health and happiness!

Learn about this ancient drink: the many varieties, growing areas, health benefits, and how to make the perfect cup from loose tea. During discussion there will be several types of tea for sampling. This free program will be held in the Single Brothers' Workshop. For more information or to register, please email [vhannah@oldsalem.org](mailto:vhannah@oldsalem.org).



### ***Our State Behind the Scenes at Old Salem***

*Friday–Sunday, April 10–April 12*

For the third consecutive year, Old Salem Museums & Gardens is partnering with *Our State* magazine to co-host an exclusive weekend behind-the-scenes look at one of America's most authentic historic attractions—Old Salem Museums & Gardens. Participants will check in midday on Friday, April 10, and the program will start at 2 p.m. that day. You'll have unprecedented access to sights, sounds, and experiences at the historic buildings, heirloom gardens, and unparalleled collection of southern decorative arts. Enjoy behind-the-scenes tours, hands-on activities, delicious meals, discounts on shopping, a two-night stay at the newly renovated Historic Brookstown Inn, and more. Cost: \$745 per couple. To register, call (800) 441-5305.

### ***Created Equal Film Series: The Loving Story***

*Wednesday, April 15, noon–1:30 p.m.*

Participate in a screening of the film, *The Loving Story*, with discussion held between excerpts. Susie Powell, co-author of the award-winning documentary film, will be present at the screening and will discuss what inspired her to write about Richard and Mildred Loving, the interracial couple who lived in Virginia in the 1950s and were arrested for their marriage. Light refreshments will be provided (or bring your own bag lunch). This event is free, although registration is required. To register, please call (800) 441-5305.

### ***Old Salem Cobblestone Farmers Market***

*Saturdays, starting April 18;*

*9 a.m.–noon*

This farmers market is open every Saturday morning, rain or shine!



Fresh, local farm products—in the heart of the city—restore a tradition that began in Salem more than 200 years ago. Producers offer a wide variety of seasonal vegetables, herbs, meats, eggs, cheeses, breads, fruits, flowers, and other farm products from the surrounding countryside.

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**SOUTHPORT HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

[www.southporthistoricalsociety.org](http://www.southporthistoricalsociety.org)

***Membership Meeting***

*Thursday, March 26, 6:30 p.m.*

Come to the Southport Community Building for dinner and to hear UNC-Wilmington history professor Dr. Chris Fonvielle offer another insightful program on the history of the Lower Cape Fear. Stay tuned for more information on specific topic to be discussed.

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**STATE ARCHIVES OF N.C.**

(Raleigh)

<http://www.ncdcr.gov/archives>,  
 (919) 807-7310

***Sherman's March and the Occupation of Raleigh***

*Monday, May 11, noon–1 p.m.*

Join William H. Brown, a registrar with the State Archives, in the auditorium in the State Archives building to hear about Sherman's march and the occupation of Raleigh.

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**WAKE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY (Raleigh)**

[www.wakehistory.com](http://www.wakehistory.com)

***Raleigh's Lost Civil War Hospitals***

*Sunday, March 1, 2:30 p.m.*

Come to the Visitor Center at Mordecai Historical Park in Raleigh to hear Rick Walton discuss Raleigh's Confederate Civil War hospitals.

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**WALKERTOWN AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

[www.walkertownareahistorical.society.org](http://www.walkertownareahistorical.society.org), (336) 497-1183

***Archeological Investigations of the Saura Indians in Stokes County***

*Tuesday, March 17, 6:30 p.m.*

Join Dr. Stephen Davis at the Walkertown Public Library as he presents the results of archaeological investigations conducted by the University of North Carolina at sites in Stokes County that were occupied by the Saura Indians in the 1600s and early 1700s. These sites are known historically as Upper Sauratown, and excavations there were conducted over 11 summers between 1972 and 1988. Dr. Davis was personally involved with the fieldwork from 1972 to 1974 and in 1988. The Upper Sauratown investigations are important to our current understanding of native North Carolinians at the time of European contact and the consequences of that contact.

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**WAYNE COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION (Goldsboro)**

[www.waynemuseum.org](http://www.waynemuseum.org),  
 (919) 734-5023

***Design Show Home***

*April 24–May 2, 11 a.m.–5 p.m.*

Tour the 1930s Herring Hulse House on William Street, and see rooms creatively designed and furnished by designers. This self-

guided tour includes a high tea luncheon, which can be purchased along with the tour ticket, as well as a chance to buy finely crafted items from vendors. Lunch tickets are \$15 each. Downtown Goldsboro is alive with activity as the renovation of Center Street and historic Union Station is in full swing, new businesses are opening, and numerous dining venues are available. Local hotels are offering packages for participants who want to spend the night. After your tour, please visit the museum, which is three blocks north from the show home. For more information, visit [www.HerringHulseHouse.com](http://www.HerringHulseHouse.com).

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**WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

(Asheville)

[www.wnchistory.org](http://www.wnchistory.org)  
 (828) 253-9231

***Cataloochee Trip***

*Saturday, March 21, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.*

Join award-winning author Wayne Caldwell for a day trip to the Cataloochee Valley. Caldwell has based his best-selling fiction series on life in the valley before the creation of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. The tour includes several historical exhibits and buildings as well as reflections and readings from Mr. Caldwell. Join us to re-imagine the homes, farms, and families of this region and to learn about their displacement. Cost: \$60 general public; \$55 Asheville History Center members. Please email [smh@wnchistory.org](mailto:smh@wnchistory.org) to reserve your seat.